

## DEATH SENTENCE FOUGHT BY DUNNE

Illinois Executive Tells Governors' Conference It Is Not a Crime Deterrent.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 27. — The duty of the state in dealing with the inmates of its prisons was the general topic of discussion at today's session of the governors' conference. Two of the governors, H. F. Dunne of Illinois and W. J. Hunt of Arizona, gave addresses on the abolition of capital punishment, and former Governor Cole L. Blease of South Carolina was to speak on the duty and responsibility of the governor in dealing with the prisoners.

A review of the state militia, 7,000 strong, was the feature of the afternoon.

Governor Dunne said the principal argument advanced by the supporters of capital punishment was that it acted as a crime deterrent, but he doubted that it ever had deterred or that it now deterred. He cited a number of incidents from history to show that even in the days when penalties inflicted for crime were most severe the extreme measures taken failed to suppress crime. Coming down to the present day, he said:

"I am not going to attempt to support my arguments by elaborate quotations from statistics. There are certain figures, however, which are rather significant. If not conclusive, I refer to the statistics of the federal census bureau of 1910, with reference to the effect of the death penalty upon the commission of murder. These statistics show that in 21 of the states having the highest number of homicides per capita in the population, there is not a single state that has abolished capital punishment. These 21 are those which have enforced the death penalty from the time of their organization. Following these 21 states come three states, Illinois, Maryland and Kansas, all having the same number per capita of homicides. Of these states, Kansas has abolished the death penalty. Illinois and Maryland have retained it.

"Let us now consider the 30 states which these statistics show have the lowest number of homicides per capita. Among these 30 are all the states but one (Kansas) that have abolished capital punishment. The federal statistics, to my mind, show that capital punishment has failed to act as a deterrent, and that in the states where it has been abolished there is a less per capita of homicides than in the states where it has been retained.

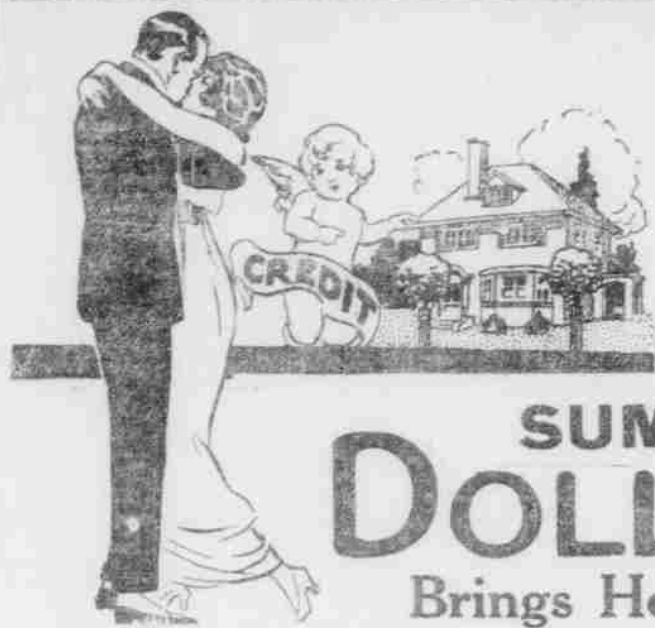
"Up to 1913, six states had abolished capital punishment. Washington followed in that year. The United States statistics of 1910 show that five of these are among the 20 with the lowest per capita of homicides, each with a percentage less than .08 in each 10,000 of population. The other non-capital punishment state—Kansas—had the same per capita of homicides as Illinois and Maryland, both capital punishment states.

"Illinois was disgraced by 651 homicides in 1910, after a century of enforcement of capital punishment, while in Wisconsin, where it had been abolished, the homicides have not been much over 50 per cent. per capita, of those committed in Illinois.

"Christianity long ago revoked the doctrine of a tooth for a tooth and an eye for an eye. Christ prayed the Father, as He saw the thief hanging by His side, 'Forgive them, for they know not what they do.' Christ himself was suffering the lingering tortures of death at the hands of passion and fury. He did not seek the destruction of those who were murdering Him and the thief by His side, but He prayed that they should see and know God's truth. Verily, God himself has reserved to himself the final penalty for the sins of His children.

"Society becomes criminal when it seeks, by violence and the blood of its victims, to right a wrong committed against it by such product of its own neglect. For this class we cannot conceive of execution performing any function. The hanging of hundreds or thousands of them, even the massacre of their young, would not decrease the crime that springs from the slums and the tenements, so long as the slums remain under the tolerance of an intelligent society.

"Another evidence that execution is not effective is afforded in the records of lynchings and mob violence. Whether these have occurred in the



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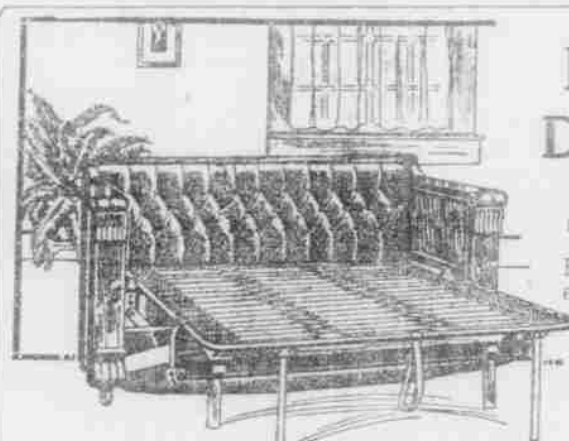
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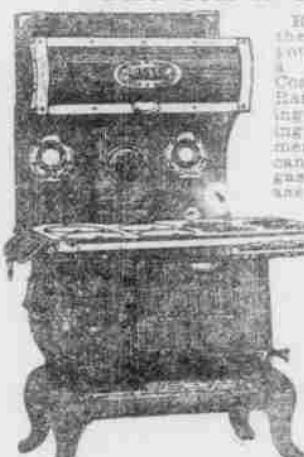
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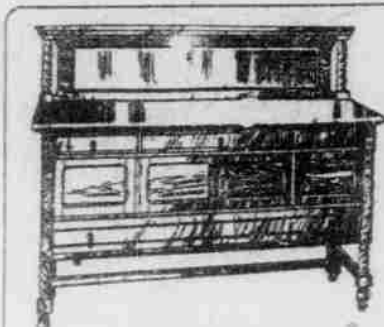
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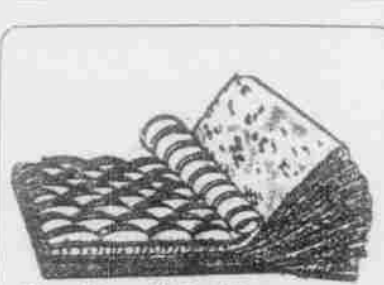


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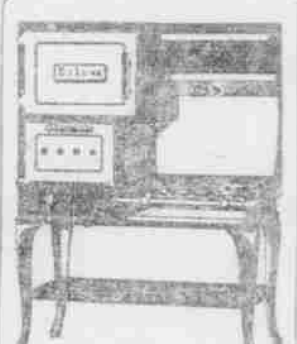
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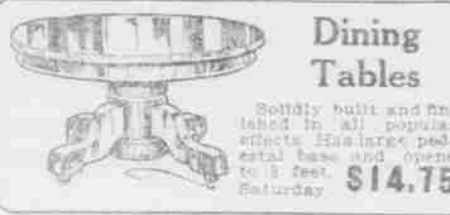
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Buy Your Dining Table Now and Save Money!  
These beautiful tables are made of solid oak, and are finished in golden or fumed tones. They are both attractive in design and substantial in construction. Worth \$7.95. Sale price for Saturday

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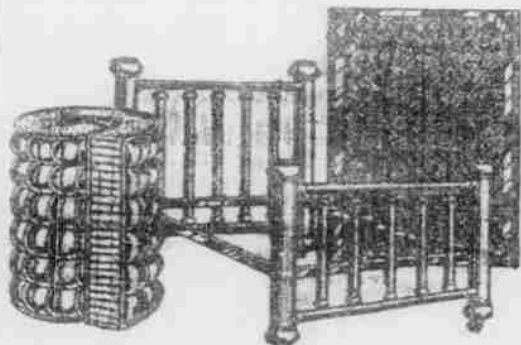
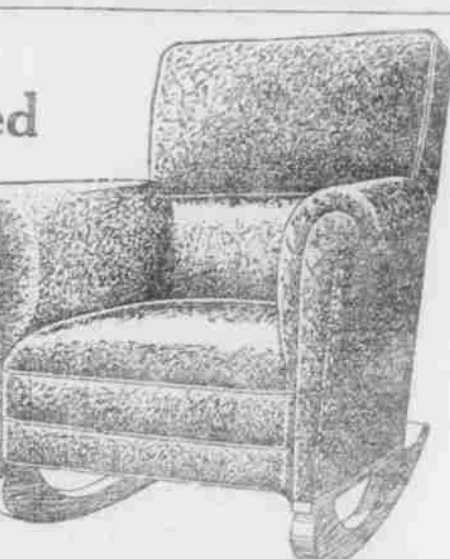
Dining Chairs of Solid Oak  
They are finished in golden or fumed and have seats of Amor leather. Backs are paneled; legs are strongly reinforced. Special Saturday price for Set of Four,

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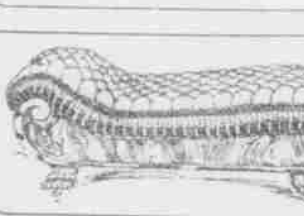
BRASS BED, SPRING AND MATTRESS, worth, if bought individually, at least \$24.00. The bed has 2-inch posts and comes in bright or satin finish; spring is made entirely of metal, strongly reinforced; mattress is of cotton felt. We place the complete outfit on sale Saturday at.....

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north or in the south, they have not had any appreciable influence in reducing crime of the character which aroused public fury. Lynchings and burnings at the stake are but too common today. What community has profited by a reduction in crime following a lynching?

The thanks of the administration for the resolution adopted by the governors on Tuesday, pledging support to President Wilson was extended to the conference today by Attorney General Thomas W. Gregory.

Mr. Gregory said that at the present time the administration felt the need of being in close touch with the states and such an encouraging expression as was sent to the president was greatly appreciated especially as it came from a body in which party lines had been eliminated.

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Charles Elpper visited with relatives in Milan Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Pearsall and daughter Orpha, visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Golden.

Mr. and Mrs. Olive Trowbridge visited over Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Trowbridge in Dixon.

Little Glenn Gerkin has been sick for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Heeren have gone to Minnesota, leaving here Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Elpper and children spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Nickelson.

Mrs. John Liphardt and daughter Nellie of Hildreth and Mrs. William Sellmer and daughter Margaret of Moline spent Friday at the homes of William and Louis Elpper.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Ashdown visited Sunday at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fillmer.

Misses Sadie Cowley and Vera Fillmer visited a few days with relatives in Rock Island.

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Misses Erna Lundeen and June Nelson of Rock Island were guests Wednesday at the William Elpper home.

Mrs. William Riewerts, who underwent an operation last week is getting along nicely. She is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wells of Rose Hill.

Herman Winterfelt arrived here from Oklahoma and is visiting at his home for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McConnell were made happy by the arrival of a little son at their home last week.

Mrs. Mary Lees continues ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sample.

James Durbin of Cordova is at the home of his uncle, John Durbin this week.

Mrs. Charles Haak is home from the Moline sanatorium where she went for the benefit of her health a few weeks ago. She is somewhat improved.

The Adelphi Mothers' club will have a picnic in the orchard of the William Cowley farm Saturday, Sept. 11. A basket dinner and watermelon feast will be enjoyed. Members and their families are invited. A good time is anticipated.

The Bethel Christian Endeavor so-

city held a business meeting and social at the parsonage Tuesday evening. About forty-five were in attendance and had an enjoyable time. Election of officers was held with the following results: President, Hazel McConnell; Vice president, Walter Win-

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